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Applicant:

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METHOD FOR DETECTING AND COUNTING

MICRO-ORGANISMS IN A SAMPLE

RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents

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Date: November 2, 2007

Sir:

This responds to the Election of Species Requirement mailed October 5, 2007, a response to which is due November 5, 2007. Applicants do not believe any fees In the event this is not the case, Applicants hereby authorize the Commissioner to charge any fees or credit any overpayment to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 08-1641, referencing Attorney Docket No. 029440.00009.

Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, the following species:

List I:

B. Step c) takes place after step b)

List II:

A. Adding to a microorganism's enrichment medium at lease one

non-fluorescent substrate specific to enzymes

List III:

Xanthenes

List IV:

A. Fatty acid

List V:

A. Flow cytometry.

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Please see the following listing of claims after this response to election, and amendments mandated by the election.

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Remarks begin on page 7 of this response.